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VIAM is the center for all theoretical and experimental research work on materials for the aviation industry. Investigations are made on materials produced domestically as well as those which are imported. The institute also renders technical aid to industries dealing with airplanes and the lighter-than-air craft.

WIAM renders technical aid to industires on the following questions:

Special steels for use in plane and engine construction

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Nitriding of steels

Forging and stamping of parts to be used in the aviation industry

Determination of the characteristics of steels relative to the nature of the forging and stamping operations Annealing of steels

Casting of very light metals in earthen molds
Aluminum alloys and titanium

Stamping and pressing of light and ultra-light alloys (for pistons, blades and other parts for engines and planes)
Rolling of aluminum alloys

New anti-friction alloys

Utilization of ultra-light magnesium alloys

Smelding in high-frequency furnaces

Manufacture of crucibles to be used in high frequency furnaces Gas and electrical welding of thin walled parts Methods for the preparation of samples for use in microscope studies. Methods for conducting metallographic studies and thermal and magnetic analysis.

Static and dynamic testing of steels

Methods for conducting various technological tests

Method for the control of corrosion of metals

Various problems related to galvanic plating

Selection of stainless and non-rusting and corrosion-resistant steels as well as steels which are suitable for use under conditions of high temperature

Organization of X-ray laboratories for structural analysis X-ray analysis of annealing operations

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X-ray analysis of cold deformation and deformation under high-temperature conditions Methods for the analysisof special steels and nonferrous metals Methods for the selection of wood to be utilized in the aviation industry Methods for investigating and controlling the physico-mechanical properties of materials Methods for rapid drying of woods to be used in the aviation industry Methods for the mycological analysis of woods Methods for the storage and transportation of woods to be used in the aviation industry Methods for the mechanical working of woods to be used in the aviation industry Methods for bonding woods to be used in the aviation industry Lacquers and dyes best suited for use in the aviation industry Selection of equipment for plant lacquer-dye laboratories Various methods for studying the quality of glues and bonding materials Chemical analysis of special steels and nonferrous metals Methods for testing the plasticity of shock absorbers to

Note: The article contains everal pictures. One shows the mechanical laboratory of VIAM; another picture depicts a rather simple and obolescent piece of equipment which is used for testing the corrosion factors of steels; another picture shows an apparatus for determining the

be used in airplane construction

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resin content in woods; another shows two pieces of apparatus which are to be used for testing wood for elongation and compression.

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